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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 11th, 1913.

The Indian Legislative Council has recently discussed a resolution brought forward by Sir G. M. CHITRAVIS urging in view of the loss of opium revenue the consideration of financial measures for strengthening the resources of the Government with special reference to the possibility of increasing the revenue under a system of preferential tariffs with the United Kingdom and the Colonies. His speech, which was a long one, was on the usual tariff reform lines. He dwelt at length upon the benefits of protection and emphasised the need of financial autonomy for India. It will strike the reader who has noticed recent official statements concerning the "abounding prosperity" of India as strange that such a resolution should have been brought forward in the Council at the present time. But the improvement of over six millions sterling in India's revenue last year, it must be noted, was principally contributed by the opium revenue and railway receipts, and the argument of the mover of the resolution was that though the Indian Government had managed to maintain equilibrium between income and expenditure "since the opinion of Great Britain drove a huge breach into India's finances," they could not expect to maintain that equilibrium for long. "Not even our largest sources of revenue, land revenue and excise," he said, "could be expanded sufficiently to make up a deficit of 5 crores, which may be taken as our normal opium revenue in the days before the commencement of the policy of suppression. These

sources, too, are utterly unstable. They depend on the seasons and the rainfall to such an extent that the Hon. Finance Member himself described the Indian Budget as a gamble in rain. We cannot forego this revenue altogether, and India is a country not yet fully developed, and we require all our resources for our growing needs, if for no other purpose. The only one course open, namely, fresh taxation, has its limits, and a wise government will only impose fresh taxes with great caution and in a manner as little burdensome to the people as possible. None the less, fresh taxation will soon be inevitable, and in my view it is advisable to face the fact and consider the remedy at once." Sir G. M. CHITRAVIS considered that the best way out of the difficulty was by the adoption of a protective tariff, and, failing that, of a system of preferential tariffs with the rest of the Empire. He advocated the latter as being alike practical, beneficial and expedient. Other Indian members of the Council strongly supported the resolution, but it was opposed by the European speakers and notably by Sir Guy FLEETWOOD WILSON, the Finance Member of the Council, who questioned the advantages of the application of "the infant industry principles" to India, and expressed the opinion that until endeavours to improve industrial methods had failed, they could not call on the State to assist by protecting industries at the cost of the enormous number of very poor consumers. Considering India as part of the Empire, he described the object of the preferential policy as the linking together and strengthening of the Empire as a whole, while leaving the units free to prosecute their own interests. In any such movements, he said, the interests and wishes of India could not be ignored. The final form of the preference policy was uncertain owing to the abstention of the United Kingdom and to its being particularly undecided regarding India. But apparently preference would give freer entry to Indian tea, coffee, sugar, etc., while the Indian import duty on many British manufactures would be abolished or reduced. He went on to indicate the importance of these aspects of the case, and he asked whether India could respond. The loss of revenue in certain directions would necessitate the raising of the customs rates in others. There was also the risk of retaliation by other countries, but this risk was, diminished by the fact that Indian exports were largely raw materials and food stuffs. Sir Guy FLEETWOOD WILSON, while admitting that Indian opinion favoured protection, contented himself with begging for further dispassionate consideration of the intricate and delicate issues of a question so vital to India's prosperity, and the motion was eventually withdrawn. The debate sheds an interesting light on Indian opinion on the question, and even Sir Guy FLEETWOOD WILSON could not disguise that the development of Japan on Western economic lines had deeply affected India, and that if China at some future time should follow the example of Japan, the effect on the balance and adjustment of India's trade might be incalculable. There is sufficient uncertainty about the financial future of India to make the question one of vital interest to the Dependency, but the advocates of protection will find much food for reflection in what is now happening in the United States where drastic reductions in the American tariff are now proposed as being more advantageous to the well-being of the nation than a tariff wall of exclusion.

The French mail of the 11th March was delivered in London on the 6th April.

At the Magistracy yesterday ten men from Amy Lane were charged with gambling and were fined \$3 or seven days each in default.

It is reported from Taipo that a woman was found wandering on the railway near Fanning apparently insane. She was removed to Hongkong.

A fine of \$250 or two months' imprisonment in default was imposed by Mr. Hazeland upon a Chinese for being in unlawful possession of opium.

A Chinese was sent to the Tung Wa Hospital suffering from injuries caused either by falling or jumping from the second floor of 105, Wing Lok Street. He died soon after admission.

Mr. A. H. Tait, of the Chartered Bank, Kuala Lumpur, was married at Christ Church, Malacca, recently to Miss E. Hilary Moss, youngest daughter of the late Mr. C. D. Moss, of H.B.M.'s Consular Court for Japan.

A Chinese schoolboy reports that while standing at the door of his residence in Lower Lascar Road on Wednesday night, one man entered the house, the door of which was open, and threatened him with a revolver, while two men stood guard at the entrance. He blew a police whistle, and the robbers disappeared without taking anything.

An association of old pupils of St. Joseph's College, Hongkong, has been formed in Shanghai.

Mr. W. Dickinson, manager of the Chartered Bank, left for Home on holiday yesterday. Mr. A. S. Hewitt, who recently returned from Home, becomes acting manager of the Bank.

The Bandmann Opera Company left for Shanghai by the *Devanha* yesterday. Mr. Bandmann has good reason to be satisfied with financial results of the Company's twelve days' stay in Hongkong, for they have had full houses nearly every night.

The water return issued yesterday shows that there were 189.67 millions of gallons in the storage reservoirs on the island on April 1st as compared with 315.91 millions of gallons on the same date last year. At Kowloon the figures were 201.02 millions this year and 258.48 last year.

The master of the French steamer *Hanoi* was charged at the Marine Court yesterday with having a greater number of passengers on board than allowed by his certificate. Mr. A. E. Davey, boarding officer, said that there were 96 passengers on board, but the deck was covered with pigs in baskets, which in some places were piled on top of each other two deep. Defendant was fined \$50.

In the paper laid before the Legislative Council yesterday containing the recommendations for increasing the salaries of Government servants it is stated that a careful calculation showed that since 1912 the increase in cost of living, including rent, amounted for Portuguese and Indians to 23 per cent, and to 29 per cent, for Chinese, the higher percentage in the case of the latter being due to the high price of rice and local vegetables, to the larger comparative increase in rentals of Chinese flats as compared with rentals of houses occupied by Portuguese and Indians and to the adoption by Chinese of European wearing apparel.

Mr. G. Rose, who for the last twelve years has represented the firm of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire at Wuhu, has been transferred to Chinkiang. Mr. and Mrs. Rose were entertained to a farewell tea at the Customs Library prior to their departure, when Mr. E. Alabaster, Commissioner of Customs, in a graceful little speech referred to Mr. Rose as one who had been largely responsible for a good deal of progress at the port. Both he and Mrs. Rose had endeared themselves to a large circle of friends who now realized that their own loss was a distinct gain to Chinkiang. On board the *C. N. S. Poyang*, the British Consul, Mr. H. A. Ottewill, on behalf of their Wuhu friends, presented Mr. and Mrs. Rose with a suitably engraved silver bowl. A number of leading Chinese merchants together with the local Chinese staff of the Butterfield & Swire Co. also showed their appreciation of departing friends by presenting them with a handsome silver tea service.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LTD.

The twentieth annual report states—The directors submit to the shareholders of the Bank the general balance sheet and statement of profit and loss account for the year ending 31st December, 1912.

The net profits for the year, after providing for bad and doubtful debts, and including \$29,139 17s. 1d. brought forward from last account, amount to £128,105 0s. 6d. From this sum has to be deducted £19,087 10s. 0d., being the interim dividend of 3 per cent, free of income tax, on the "A" and "B" shares paid for the half-year ending 30th June, 1912.

The directors have added £50,000 to the reserve fund (raising it to £415,000) and £2,000 to the officers' pension fund. They now recommend a further dividend on the "A" and "B" shares of 4 per cent, free of income tax, for the second half of the year (making 3 per cent. for the year), leaving a balance of £30,105 0s. 6d. to be carried forward.

A sub-branch of the bank has been opened at Delhi.

The following directors retire by rotation, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election—Messrs. R. J. Black and J. M. Ryrie.

It will be necessary to appoint auditors. Messrs. Cooper Brothers & Co., and Messrs. W. A. Browne & Co., the retiring auditors, offer themselves for re-election.

HARD BLOW FOR FATHER.

A young girl from a country town went to a city boarding school, much against the wishes of her father, who thought she would be spoiled by city ways.

Soon she wrote in one of her letters: "I am in love with Ping-pong."

The mother read the letter aloud to her father, who turned angrily upon her, saying: "Well, you see, I was right. I know no good would come of her going to the city. Now, you see she has got in with one of those danged Chinese."—*Ladies' Home Journal*.

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE BALKAN WAR.

THE NAVAL DEMONSTRATION.
A message from Malta reports that the British cruisers, *Duke of Edinburgh* and *Medea*, have been ordered eastward, and other warships have been ordered to be in readiness.

AUSTRIA AND MONTENEGRO.

The Government of Montenegro has asked for an explanation of the action of the Austrian authorities at Cattaro in holding up a consignment of goods for Montenegro.

KING NICHOLAS' THREAT.

King Nicholas has resolved to abdicate if the Powers employ force against Montenegro, which will then be united to Serbia.

THE PAN-SLAVIST DEMONSTRATIONS IN RUSSIA.

A message from St. Petersburg states that in view of the Pan-Slavist demonstrations, the police have issued an order which recalls the regulations of 1911, prohibiting public meetings and warning the inhabitants not to participate in the demonstrations, otherwise most decisive measures would be taken. It is declared that it is binding on the whole people.

THE ALLIES' REPLY.

Reuter understands that the reply of the Powers to the Balkan States accepts the Bulgarian modification with regard to the Enos-Midia frontier line, reserves the question of the Aegean Islands, the majority of which will go to Greece, says the indemnity and other financial questions will be referred to a financial commission sitting at Paris, and recommends the Allies to cease hostilities.

IMPROVED OUTLOOK.

A message from Vienna reports that there is a more hopeful feeling in consequence of the news that the Serbians have ceased sending reinforcements to Albania. The crisis regarding Skutari is now considered as taking a more peaceful tone.

BRITAIN AND AERIAL DEFENCE.

LORD MAYOR TAKES ACTION.
LONDON, April 10th.
The Lord Mayor has called a meeting at the Mansion House for the 6th of May with the object of calling attention to the vital and immediate necessity of a vigorous Aerial Defence policy.

"THE CLOSURE" IN THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, April 10th.
In the House of Commons at Ottawa Mr. Borden, the Canadian Premier, introduced proposals for the closure of the Navy debate, and declared that they were less drastic than those of the British House of Commons.

THE DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT.

ANOTHER OPERATION NECESSARY.
LONDON, April 10th.
According to a message from Ottawa, the Duchess of Connaught has been advised to undergo another operation to obviate a recurrence of the abdominal attacks. Her Royal Highness suffered from this in Canada.

THE POPE'S ILLNESS.

LONDON, April 10th.
A message from Rome says that the sisters of the Pope have telegraphed advising their brother Angelo to come to Rome. A doctor is constantly in the room next to that occupied by the Pope. His Holiness' temperature rose this morning. He is, however, getting a fair amount of sleep.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, April 10th.
The death is announced of Sir Clement Hill, K.C.M.G., who, after distinguished service in the Foreign Office in various capacities, entered Parliament in 1908 as a Unionist member for Shrewsbury.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Chinese brought before Mr. Hazeland charged with throwing a bottle of hydrochloric acid at a woman at Wanchai was bound over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for a year. It was stated that the man threw a small bottle containing the acid at the prosecutrix through a broken window. The cork did not come out of the bottle, fortunately, and the contents were not spilt.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SIR RUFUS ISAACS AND THE MARCONI CONTRACT.

LONDON, April 10th.
Sir Rufus Isaacs, speaking in London, said he did not complain of legitimate criticism in connection with the Marconi Enquiry, and claimed that nothing he had done should lead to the forfeiture of esteem and confidence. He would welcome the day when he would be able to speak freely in the House of Commons.

[A recent telegram to the Indian papers stated that Sir Rufus Isaacs in the Marconi Enquiry deposed that on April 17th he bought 10,000 shares in the American Marconi Company, which had no interest in the profits of the English Company, and sold 1,000 each to Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Elibank. Several papers suggest Sir Isaacs would have done better to mention this when denying that he had any share transaction, during the House of Commons discussion on October 11th, in which Mr. Lloyd George participated.]

HONGKONG TENNIS LEAGUE.

The annual meeting of this League was held at Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion last night, Mr. E. A. G. May presiding. The following Clubs were represented—Kowloon, European Y.M.C.A., Chinese Y.M.C.A., Civil Service, Wigwam, Club de Recreio, Recreation Club, and Olympic.

The report and accounts, which showed a balance in hand of \$24,84, having been passed, the Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. O. Brown) announced that he had received communications from the President and the Vice-President tendering their resignations. He added that he intended to resign also. It was decided to approach Mr. H. A. Nesbit with a view to his accepting the position of President. Mr. Brown was appointed Vice-President, and Mr. C. C. Hickling Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

All the previously mentioned Clubs re-entered the League, and Kowloon were allowed to enter a second team.

Hearty thanks were accorded to the officers of the past year for their efforts on behalf of the League.

AFFAIRS AT ST. JOHN'S ISLAND, SINGAPORE.

At the Legislative Council meeting at Singapore last Friday, the Hon. D. T. Boyd was to submit the following question:—Are the Government aware of the dislocation of the trade and shipping of Singapore which has recently been caused by the insufficiency of the quarantine accommodation at St. John's Island for contacts, and, as an instance, the case of the steamer *Yat Shing*, which arrived from Hongkong on the morning of March 21, 1913, with 1,100 contacts, but on account of the congested state of the accommodation at the island had to retain these contacts on board, and was released from quarantine only on March 25, thus suffering detention of over five days' duration, and under the circumstances do not the Government consider that it is not only advisable but necessary that something should be done to extend the accommodation for contacts at St. John's Island and thus fulfil the assurance given by the Government on August 6 last, that the matter was receiving attention?

OLDEST BRITISH SETTLEMENT IN THE PACIFIC ISLANDS.

This is Pitcairn. In a paper read at the Royal Colonial Institute by Sir Everard Im Thurn, K.C.M.G., C.B., on "Some Less Known Islands in the Pacific," the following reference was made to Pitcairn:—

Pitcairn and its "dependencies" (that is, I believe, the official term)—Oeno, Elizabeth (or Henderson), and Ducie—all lie fairly close together, just below the southern tropic line, i.e., they are quite the easternmost of the Pacific Islands properly so-called. Of the settlement of Pitcairn Island in 1789 by some of the mutineers of H.M.S. *Bounty*, with some Tahitian women, I need not here tell. The existence of this nest of British mutineers was not discovered till 1808, and then by an American sealing ship. The island was visited in 1814 by H.M.S. *Briton*, Captain Sir Thomas Staines. By that time only one of the mutineers survived—the famous Jack Adams. His real name seems to have been Smith; but the children of the *Bounty* men by Tahitian mothers had developed, chiefly under Adams' influence, into a very remarkable and very law-abiding little British community. The history and unparalleled circumstances of this community attracted the sympathy and interest, and in 1856, the people having become too numerous for the island, the whole were removed, with their own consent, to Norfolk Island, which had just then become vacant by the final abandonment of the convict station there. But some of these exiles found their way back to Pitcairn in 1859 and 1864; so that continuity of settlement by British subjects has been unbroken, save for a period of three years, since 1789. Pitcairn is thus the oldest British settlement in the Pacific Islands, and it dates from but a year later than the settlement of Port Jackson on the Australian continent.

I cannot now go into the subsequent history of the Pitcairn community; but I cannot help saying that, in my opinion, there must be few places in the British Empire the inhabitants of which have suffered more from ill-judged sympathy and injudicious kindness combined with real neglect and perfunctory control than this tiny little historic island, which was definitely annexed on August 18, 1888.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, April 10th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE ACTING JUSTICE JUDGE (MR. J. H. KEMP).

ALLEGED BREACH OF CONTRACT.

Messrs. W. L. Broxley & Co., general merchants and exporters of wood oil, sued the Nam Mow firm, of 151, Connaught Road Central, for \$1,000 as damages for breach of contract, dated 4th July, 1912, whereby the defendants agreed to sell to the plaintiffs 825 piculs of wood oil, to be filled by the defendants into drums provided by the plaintiffs and shipped by the defendants free on board in Hongkong Harbour within the months of August and September, 1912. The time for delivery was subsequently extended to the 1st of November, but the defendants failed to deliver such oil or any part thereof.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. Denny, of Messrs. Denny & Rowley) represented the plaintiffs, and Mr. Eldon Potter (instructed by Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings & Hastings) appeared for the defendants.

Mr. Jenkin said the plaintiffs, as the defendants well knew at the time of entering into the contract, required the oil for shipment and resale to customers in New York at a profit. The wood oil was not in accordance with the contract, and was adulterated to the extent of about 10 per cent, with vegetable oil and was useless to the plaintiffs. The plaintiffs were unable to purchase in Hongkong wood oil similar to that contracted for; they were consequently unable to supply their customers, and lost the profit they would have made on the resale. The drums were landed at the Hongkong godowns, and the plaintiffs sent their godown man to examine the drums on the 7th October. He turned them upside down and saw that nothing came out, and as they were dry he reported to the plaintiffs that they were clean. On the 9th October the defendants were asked if the drums were empty and they replied that they were full. On the following day two of the plaintiffs' employees took samples from these drums, 100 bottles full, and on a subsequent date 176 bottles were taken, making a bottle from each drum. A little oil was taken from each of these 276 bottles, put into one bottle, and sent to Watson's dispensary for the purposes of analysis. On the 11th of October the plaintiffs wrote a letter to the defendants concerning the result of the analysis by Watson's, in which they said they had to advise them that the wood oil had been found to be seriously adulterated. The same day a partner of the defendant firm called upon plaintiffs and desired to have an analysis of this oil made by the Government Analyst, Mr. Browne. This partner and Mr. Drude, of the plaintiffs' firm, took further samples on the following day. On the 15th October the samples taken were sent to Mr. Browne by the partner in the defendant firm and by the representative of the plaintiffs to make a report upon it, which was supplied on the 18th October. Apparently, subsequent to that the defendants' partner and Mr. Drude took still further samples, and the latter would give evidence of something the partner said to him. On the 23rd October defendants asked the plaintiffs' representative to have another look at the drums, and on that occasion he said the drums were dirty. Mr. Drude found around the neck of the drum a coating of gelatine, and he took away a sample of that, and that had also been submitted to the Government Analyst for analysis. A long correspondence then ensued between the solicitors of the parties up to the present date.

The case was adjourned provisionally to Monday.

TELEPHONE POLITENESS.

The charge that users of the telephone are gradually becoming less civil is borne out by a statement made by the Controller of the London Telephone Exchange, "Quickening London business activity," he said, "has undoubtedly caused a diminution in these forms of politeness which used to be so characteristic a feature of City life. Even the little word 'please' in many cases no longer punctuates the rapid fire calls for numbers on the part of busy subscribers. Nor could one altogether condemn the curt language now heard at City telephones; it is a matter of saving time, an inevitable product of modern conditions. Economy in time has clashed with business civility, and the latter has had to give way. The matter of the amount of formality to be demanded of the operators has always been a serious problem. The proposal to have the operator's 'number, please,' shortened to 'number,' was considered for some time. It was finally decided that 'please' could well be added to the operator's query with no appreciable loss of time, and so the ruling stands."

There is a new child story in the *Manchester Guardian*. "Ma! ma!" sobbed Willie, "do my ears belong to my neck or my face?" "Why, what is the matter?" was the tempering reply. "Well, you told Mary to wash my face, and she's washing my ears, too!"

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held yesterday at the Council Chamber.

The following were present:—

His Excellency the Governor, Sir F. H. MAY, K.C.M.G.

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General C. A. ANDERSON, C.B.

Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Secretary).

Hon. Mr. J. A. S. BUCKNILL (Attorney-General).

Hon. Mr. A. G. M. FLETCHER (Colonial Treasurer).

Hon. Mr. W. CHAPMAN, C.M.G. (Director of Public Works).

Hon. Mr. E. R. HALIFAX (Registrar-General).

Hon. Mr. C. McI. MESSER (Captain-Superintendent of Police).

Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai, M.D., C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. E. A. HEWITT, C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. Wai Yux.

Hon. Mr. C. MONTAGUE EDE.

Hon. Mr. C. H. ROSS.

Hon. Mr. E. SHELLIM.

Mr. R. H. CROFTON (Clerk of Councils).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

NEW MEMBER.

The Hon. Mr. E. Shellim took the oath and assumed his seat as a member.

FINANCIAL.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid on the table the Reports of the Finance Committee, Nos. 1 and 2, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Financial Minutes Nos. 9 to 18, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

INCREASES OF SALARIES.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid on the table the *prices* of correspondence on the subject of increases of salary, and added that any further information on the subject would be given in the Finance Committee.

OPINION RESOLUTIONS.

The Colonial Secretary, I beg to move the following resolution:—

Whereas, by the provisions of sub-section (e) of Section 23 of the Opium Amendment Ordinance, 1913, the Opium Ordinance, 1909, was amended by, *inter alia*, the repeal of Section 12 of the said Ordinance and the substitution of a new Section 12 thereof:—

And whereas by the provisions of sub-section (4) of the new Section 12 aforesaid it was provided that:—

"No person shall export or aid or abet the exportation of any raw opium from the Colony or the waters thereof, if such exportation shall have been notified in the *Gazette* in pursuance of any resolution of the Legislative Council as being illegal."

Now it is hereby resolved that the exportation of Persian Opium to any port other than the port of London or a port of the Island of Formosa shall, after the expiration of one week from the date of this resolution, be illegal, and it is further hereby resolved that a notification shall be made in the next issue of the *Government Gazette* accordingly.

Proceeding, he said:—This resolution has been brought forward to prevent the exportation of Persian opium to any place or countries which prohibit such import. It has been agreed that Formosa is the only place to which this kind of opium could be exported from Hongkong for purposes of business. At the same time, in order to allow merchants a market in case the stuff is not required in Formosa, the port of London has been added as a place to which they may export surplus stocks. You will observe there is an addition to the part of the resolution when it comes into operation. It has been made at the instance of the merchants connected with the trade in order to enable them to dispose of surplus stocks at present in their possession.

The Attorney-General seconded, and the resolution was carried.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

The Colonial Secretary moved the following resolution:—

It is hereby resolved that a sum of Dollars Four hundred and thirty thousand and sixty-eight and cents thirty (840,000.00) be advanced out of funds in the custody of the Government for the construction of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section) during the year 1913.

In doing so he said:—In connection with this I beg to lay on the table a statement of the estimate of expenditure during the year 1913, together with other figures in connection with the expenditure on construction. I do not propose to proceed with the resolution to-day, but simply

move that it be referred to the Finance Committee, when any further information required on the subject will be given. I may add that, as members are no doubt aware, it was anticipated that the whole of the capital expense would be covered by the repayments of the loan made to the Viceroy of Wuchang in 1905, in all amounting to £1,100,000, but owing to unforeseen items the cost of the construction would prove to be nearly £1,350,000. The extra £250,000 is to be raised by a special loan, a Bill providing for which appears on the orders of the day. The addition to the works would be defrayed by this loan as specified in the schedule of the Bill, the most important being the terminal station at Kowloon Point. When these have been finally approved the expenditure on actual construction account will cease, at all events until such time as it may be decided to complete the double-line. Any special expenditure that may occur from time to time after the cessation of the expense on construction will be added in the usual way to the departmental estimate.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

PAIERS.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid on the table the Financial Returns for the year 1912 and Jurors' List for 1913.

THE GENERAL LOAN AND INSCRIBED STOCK ORDINANCE.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to declare the terms and conditions applicable to loans authorised to be raised by the Government of Hongkong and to provide for the creation of Hongkong Inscribed Stock."

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The Objects and Reasons are:—The object of this Bill is to place on a satisfactory basis the general local Statutory Law relative to Loans raised by the Government and to provide for the Colony being able to create Inscribed Stocks and take advantage of the Imperial Acts relating thereto. The introduction of this Bill is made in compliance with instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

THE RAILWAY LOAN ORDINANCE.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to make provision for raising a loan of two hundred and fifty thousand pounds sterling or the purposes of Railway Construction."

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The Objects and Reasons are:—The object of this Bill is to provide an amplification of the present local Statutory Law dealing with railway to children. Under the present section 26 of the Offences against the Person Ordinance, 1865, abandonment or exposure of a child under the age of two years by which the life of the child is endangered or its health likely to be permanently injured is punishable with imprisonment for a period not exceeding three years. There is also no doubt that, under the Common Law which obtains in the Colony, it would be possible to proceed, in some cases, against persons guilty of serious cruelty to children but not in the procedure under the Common Law more cumbersome than when the principles are contained in an Ordinance but also there may exist instances in which the Common Law affords unsatisfactory loopholes for escape. The provisions of this Bill are intended to remedy both these defects and they provide that any adult who wilfully assaults or neglects a child or young person so as to cause it unnecessary suffering or injury shall be duly punishable.

MERCANTILE BANK NOTE ISSUE AMENDMENT ORDINANCE.

The Attorney-General moved the second reading of a Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to amend the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911." In doing so he said:—I think I need only say that the Ordinance as it stood was not considered by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury to give quite sufficient power with regard to the sale of all the funds which were placed at the disposal of the Crown agents in the case of necessity for the redemption of the Bank's note issue. The suggestion, then, which is now being made by them is that they are clearly given full power as to the sale of these securities in their hands, in the event of it being necessary to redeem the notes.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

Council then went into committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

On Council resuming,

The Attorney-General reported that the Bill had passed through committee and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

VAGRANCY AMENDMENT ORDINANCE.

The Attorney-General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to amend the Vagrancy Ordinance, 1897." In doing so he said:—I need not deal at any length with this Ordinance, because hon. members will see exactly what is intended to effect, but I might say this that owing to it having been thought by some that the present wording is not very satisfactory I propose when the Bill comes into committee to move an amendment which puts forward safeguards so that it will not be reasonably possible for this Bill to be used improperly or in any vindictive or unusual fashion.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

Council then went into committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

On Council resuming,

The Attorney-General reported that the Bill had passed through committee, and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

REVENUE OFFICERS' POWER OF ARREST.

ORDINANCE, 1913.

The Attorney-General moved that the Council go into committee on the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to the powers of arrest of Revenue Officers."

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

On Council resuming,

The Attorney-General reported that the Bill had passed through committee, and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

His Excellency—Council stands adjourned until this day week.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held afterwards—the Colonial Secretary presiding. The following votes were passed:—

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$4,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Recurrent, New Territories, Buildings, Maintenance of Buildings—Mainland and Islands in Northern District.

The Chairman—This refers to the quarantine stations at present occupied by the military authorities.

Hon. Mr. Hewitt—In any case the buildings must be kept up?

The Chairman—Yes. If we get rent so much the better.

SECRET SERVICE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$4,000 in aid of the vote Harbour Master's Department, C—Imports and Exports Office, Other Charges, Secret Service.

The Chairman—Numerous contraband articles have been seized, and the vote was exceeded. The seizures are not always a dead loss, as they are disposed to the credit of the Colony.

GENERAL WORKS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$2,200 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Drainage, Training Nullahs—General Works.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$1,750 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Drainage, Training Nullahs, (d) General Works.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$10,472 or \$295 17s. 3d. at 1/10 in aid of the vote Military Expenditure, B—Volunteer, Other Charges, Volunteer Reserve, Ammunition.

The Chairman—A certain amount of ammunition was to be held, but this amount is assumed by the military authorities to be insufficient. The new ammunition is more expensive than the old.

MAIL CHARGES.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$222,000 in aid of the vote Post Office, Other Charges, Carriage of Mails:—

Share of Mail Subsidy \$ 25,615

Transit Charges 196,385

Total \$222,000

INSPECTOR'S QUARTERS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$1,766 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Buildings, City Slaughter House—Quarters for Additional Inspector.

P.W.D. EXPENSES.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$3,960 in aid of the vote Public Works Department:—

Personal Emoluments \$3,600

Other Charges, Conveyance Allowance 360

Total \$3,960

INCREASES OF SALARIES.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$91,368 in aid of the votes of the following departments:—

1—Various Departments, House Allowance to Messengers, etc. \$ 1,248

2—Various Departments, Increases to subordinate officers not included in the Grading Scheme... 7,378

3—Post Office, Subordinate Staff... 2,204

4—Various Departments, Difference between conversion of salaries at 1s. 10d. (the rate adopted in the Estimates for 1913) and 80 % at 1s. 9d. and 20 % at 1s. 10d.... 50,000

5—Public Works Departments Overseers, £350—80 % at 1s. 9d. and 20 % at 1s. 10d.... 3,964

6—Medical Departments, Ward-masters, £60—80 % at 1s. 9d. and 20 % at 1s. 10d.... 736

7—Prison, Principal Warders and Warders 5,933

8—District Officer, Land Bailiff, £25—80 % at 1s. 9d. and 20 % at 1s. 10d.... 283

9—Supreme Court, Third Interpreter, £25 283

10—Police, European Police 7,750

11—Various Departments, Local Officers on Dollar Salaries 10,028

12—Audit Department, Senior Clerk 650

Total \$91,368

Hon. Mr. Ede—What percentage to salaries do these increases approximate, 25 per cent?

The Chairman—Nothing like it.

Hon. Mr. Ede—It will come back again. I am quite certain the cost of living has gone up infinitely higher than 25 per cent.

POLICE EMOLUMENTS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$4,798 in aid of the vote Police and Prison Departments, A—Police, Personal Emoluments:—

1 European Constables—Allowances as Detectives \$ 884

1 1st Class Chinese Sergeant 300

1 2nd Class Chinese Sergeant 240

House Allowances to 2 Chinese Sergeants 120

7 1st Class Chinese Constables 1,260

8 2nd Class Chinese Constables 1,200

Detective Allowance to 2 Chinese Sergeants and 15 Chinese Constables 1,020

Ration Allowances to 2 Chinese Sergeants and 15 Chinese Constables 204

Total \$4,728

THE RAILWAY RESOLUTION.

The Chairman—Hon. members will find that this matter was gone into by the Colonial Secretary last year. You will find it in *Hansard*, page 83 of 1912. He gave a full explanation of everything that was asked for up to date, and that includes everything completed up to date now.

Sir Kai Ho Kai—Including the station? The Chairman—Yes.

Hon. Mr. Ross—Does the \$141,000 include the station?

The Chairman—That is what will be spent this year.

THE MINERAL RESOURCES OF FORMOSA.

A recent Consular report says that, geologically speaking, Formosa is divided into three longitudinal belts. The western belt is on the average about 20 miles wide, and is an alluvial formation containing no mineral deposits. The middle belt is of tertiary formation. This belt is about 15 miles wide, broadening out in the north to include the entire coast, and ranges in altitude from 200 to 3,500 feet above sea level. This strip contains all the mineral deposits which are at present productive. The eastern belt includes about one-half of the island, and consists of high mountain ranges, reaching an altitude of 13,000 feet. The formation of these mountains is paleozoic limestone, granite, and crystalline schist; their mineral resources are practically unknown. The middle belt, which forms, as it were, a frontier between the civilised districts in the alluvial of the west and the savage territory in the mountains of the east, has been prospected somewhat thoroughly, and the mineral resources have been found to be varied and extensive. Useful minerals whose presence has already been discovered are gold, both natural and in ores; placer gold; silver ores; copper, both natural and in compounds with arsenic and sulphur; malachite; sulphur; phosphorus ores; alumina; limonite; yellow and brown iron ores; iron pyrites; zinc and lead ores; quicksilver, natural and in compounds such as cinnabar; coal and brown coal petroleum and natural gas.

Ninety-eight per cent. of the total output of the mines of Formosa comes from the Prefecture of Taihoku, in the extreme north. The remaining 2 per cent. represents the output of a petroleum well near Bjorjau and a coal mine in the same vicinity. Scams of coal, however, and petroleum have been discovered in many places all the way to the southern extremity of the island, but no effort at exploitation has yet been made. On the east coast also many valuable deposits have been discovered, notably of gold in the region inhabited by the Taroko savages. There is no doubt that when this region becomes pacified and settled further valuable discoveries will be made. Mining in Formosa must therefore be said to be still in its infancy.

The value of the annual output of the gold mines of Formosa is over one-half the total value of all mineral products. There are at present more than 20 gold mines in the island, but of these practically only three are productive. In many of the mines nothing is found but quartz, which contains little gold, and in others iron pyrites have been mistaken for gold ore. Coal is second in value among the mineral productions of Formosa. There are four varieties of petroleum, black, brown, and two varieties of brown. There are indications of petroleum veins all over Formosa. Some 300 wells have been dug, but the only one that is actually productive is the Shukoku well, owned by the Hoken Oil Co. The others consist of dry wells, wells producing little oil, wells producing only gas, or wells on trial. Although considerable capital and energy have been expended in trying to induce a flow of oil, results have so far been unsatisfactory.

THE SALARIES OF CIVIL SERVANTS, ETC.

GENERAL INCREASES AND A NEW EXCHANGE RATE.

There was laid before the Legislative Council yesterday a *precis* of the correspondence which has passed between the Colonial Government and the Secretary of State for the Colonies in reference to applications for increases of salary by the following:—

1—Messengers, etc.—House Allowances.

2—Subordinate Officers not included in the Grading Scheme.

3—Subordinate Staff of the Post Office.

4—Officers of the Cadet Service.

5—Overseers, Public Works Department.

6—Wardmasters, Medical Department.

7—Principal Warders and Warders, Prison Department.

8—Sanitary Inspectors.

9—Land Bailiff, New Territories.

10—Assistant Engineer and Station Officer, Fire Brigade.

11—Third Interpreter, Supreme Court.

12—European Police on sterling salaries and on dollar salaries with exchange compensation.

13—Local Officers on dollar salaries.

14—Senior Clerk, Audit Department.

15—Assistant Masters, Queen's College.

These applications pleaded generally the inadequacy of salaries on account of the increase in cost of living and in the case of salaries on a sterling basis also on account of the rise in exchange. They were laid before the Governor soon after his arrival in July last and were in due course forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies with recommendations for increase of salaries, except in the last mentioned instance on the above list, and these received Mr. Harcourt's approval.

The most important recommendation relates to the rate of exchange on which salaries are paid.

In a despatch under date 22nd November 1912 (No. 1), the Governor represented to the Secretary of State for the Colonies that dissatisfaction with existing salaries was largely due to the high rate of exchange which had supervened upon an undoubted increase in the cost of living. The main fact to be borne in mind was that the standard of value in the Colony was the Mexican Dollar and not the English Pound Sterling, that the former standard local products must conform and that these with house rent, wages, doctors' and dentists' fees, which never varied with exchange, represented in the case of married officers 66 per cent. and in the case of bachelors 80 per cent. of their liabilities.

The average rate for the year 1909, when the sterling salaries scheme was introduced and double exchange compensation was granted, was 1s. 8½d. The maximum rate of exchange for the payment of sterling salaries and dollar salaries with exchange compensation had been fixed in 1907 at 2s.

The average rates for the years 1908 and following were:—

1908 1s. 9½d.

1909 1s. 9d.

1910 1s. 9½d.

1911 1s. 9½d.

The rates for these years had tended to regulate expenditure on the basis more or less of a 1s. 9d. dollar.

The rates for the current year were as follows:—

January 1s. 10½d.

February 1s. 11½d.

March 1s. 11½d.

April 1s. 11½d.

May 1s. 11½d.

June 2s.

July 2s.

August 1s. 11½d.

September 2s.

October 2s.

It would thus be seen that officers on sterling salaries had suffered a serious loss of purchasing power.

A careful investigation of the matter showed that the increase in the cost of living since 1902 for officers domiciled in Europe was 21½ per cent., a figure which was calculated on a conservative basis.

In view of the above facts and of the fact that the average rate of exchange for the payment of salaries on a sterling basis for the ten years ending 31st December, 1911, was 1s. 10d., the Governor recommended that as from 1st January, 1913, 80 per cent. of sterling salaries, which are included in dollar salaries with exchange compensation, should be paid at a fixed rate of exchange of 1s. 9d. and the 20 per cent. be regarded as sterling salary and be paid at the average Hongkong demand rate from the 15th of the preceding month to the 15th of the month of payment.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies in a despatch under date 8th February, 1913, approved the foregoing proposals subject to their being liable to reconsideration at the end of every three years in view of the possibility that the exchange value of the dollar might in the future rise and remain so high as to make the arrangement a source of serious embarrassment to the Government. Mr. Harcourt further reserved to himself and his successors in office the right to reconsider the system as soon as any steps were taken to place either the Chinese or the Hongkong currency on a gold basis.

THE BRITISH CONSULAR SERVICE.

At the annual meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce in London a discussion took place on a resolution submitted by Belfast that "the utility of the British Consular Service would be materially enhanced if Consular officials were authorised to communicate direct with persons applying for information in foreign countries." It was pointed out that Consular officers were appointed by the Foreign Office, but transferred their information through the Board of Trade. It was stated that an important development in the service had been decided upon. The resolution was carried. A motion was also carried expressing the opinion that in the interests of British trade it was desirable that the Board of Trade should compile and publish a special and comprehensive report showing in detail the existing trade with the countries contiguous to or economically affected by the Panama Canal, for the information

NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, etc., should be addressed Daily Press only, special business matters The Manager.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE

I have THIS DAY Resigned CHARGE of the above Company.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1913. [561]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

ENTRIES for the ATHLETIC SPORTS (to be held on the HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB'S Ground, Happy Valley, on the 15th April) will CLOSE TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 12th inst. at 7 P.M.
FRANK LAMBERT,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1913. [565]

WANTED AT ONCE.

NURSE conveying Two Children to Trieste by s.s. "KORBER", sailing on the 13th inst.
For terms apply to—
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents,
AUSTRIAN LLOYD S.N. Co.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1913. [562]

WANTED.

IMMEDIATELY—an EXPERIENCED STENOGRAPHER and TYPIST. Male or Female.
Apply to—
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1913. [563]

STEAMER WANTED.

WANTED to Purchase a Small Sea-going CARGO STEAMER, of 200 to 300 tons, Consumption about 5 tons daily. Please send particulars of Deadweight, Gross, Net, Draft, Speed, Consumption, Build, Price, to—
KELLY SAYCE & Co.,
14, Beadesfield Arcade.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1913. [564]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer
"DEVANHA",
Arrived Hongkong on 9th April, 1913.
FROM: BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where the Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo—
From London, Calcutta, or s.s. "Malwa".
From Persian Gulf, or s.s. B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.
Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to sale.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatsoever.
Damage packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignee, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GORDON and DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1913. [560]

WANTED.

OPENING FOR BRITISH YOUTH to commence in General Business Firm. Apply by letter, stating age, education, etc., to—
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1913. [560]

WANTED.

WANTED at once in a Lawyer's Office a FIRST-RATE SHORTHAND TYPIST.
Good Salary to a competent man.
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Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1913. [555]

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Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1913. [550]

WANTED.

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No. 123,
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1913. [544]

WANTED.

A PORTUGUESE YOUNG LADY SHORTHAND TYPIST.
Apply to—
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1913. [540]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GULA KALUMPONG RUBBER ESTATES, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company in London, and that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 15th April, 1913, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Directors,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Colonial Registrar.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1913. [537]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS having declared 6% DIVIDEND on Preference Shares in payment of arrears, Notice is hereby given that the SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED as from 7th April to 15th April, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1913. [542]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th April, 1913, at 12 noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1912, and of declaring Dividends, &c.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 16th April, 1913, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1913. [524]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th April, 1913, at 12 noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1912, and of declaring Dividends, &c.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 16th April, 1913, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1913. [525]

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB will be held at the Club House at Happy Valley, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th April, 1913, at 5.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of Altering the Articles of Association of the Club as per the circular posted to Members and as exhibited on the board at the Club House at Happy Valley.
By Order,
K. M. CUMMING,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1913. [538]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the above Club will be held on SATURDAY, the 19th April, 1913, at 12.30 P.M., at the Office of the Hongkong JOCKEY CLUB, on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.
By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1913. [541]

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Coloured and Blue and White Vases, Plates, Bowls and Figures; Old Bronzes, Jade Ornaments, Embroidered Mandarin Coats, and hanging Wall Pictures.
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1913. [468]

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1913. [397]

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INTIMATIONS

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS, HONGKONG

A PAPER will be read by Mr. J. MACDONALD (Member) TO-NIGHT (FRIDAY), 11th April, 1913, in the Institute, at 9.15 P.M.

Subject: "THE LOAD LINE."

Members and their friends are invited to attend.

R. B. WOOD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1913. [551]

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY (BRITISH SECTION).

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that commencing TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 12th inst., and each succeeding SATURDAY until further Notice the Train Booked to leave Kowloon at 2.15 P.M. will leave at 2 P.M. and arrive SHUN CHUN at 2.54 P.M.
By Order,
H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager.
Kowloon, 8th April, 1913. [554]

NOTICE.

THE OFFICERS of the 126 BALUCHISTAN INFANTRY will not hold themselves Responsible for any Debts incurred by, or on behalf of, their Mess Contractor, WONG ON.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1913. [559]

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Hongkong, 4th April, 1913. [535]

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F. C. MACDONALD, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1913. [909]

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Hongkong, 10th April, 1913. [113]

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EISHI ONO, Manager.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1913. [44]

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Capital Subscribed (paid up) ... Yen 6,250,000
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K. TSUDZURABARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1911. [1279]

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E. J. H. VAN DELDEN, Acting Manager.

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Hongkong, 5th February, 1913. [21]

ENTERTAINMENT

BIJOU

9.15 P.M.—PROGRAMME—9.15 P.M.

LATEST PHOTO PLAYS

THE BITTER-BIT (American Comic). THE VISION-GLORIOUS (Comic by Prince). LOVE AND BOXING (By Max Linder). THE AMATEUR POISONER (Comic).

NEWS OF THE DAY.

MISS OROILE STEPHANO (a) "Take me back to the Garden of Love." (b) "My Eastern Dreamland." (Specialty Written by a Local Amateur.)

MISS VIOLET BONETTA (a) "Come up Some Rainy Afternoon." (b) "Hands Up!"

7.15 P.M.—PICTURES ONLY—7.15 P.M.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1913. [61]

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Captain G. W. Cookman, R.N., carrying His
Majesty's mails, will be despatched on
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Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in
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from Colombo, passengers' accommodation
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"WELSH PRINCE."

Captain McKee, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 16th April.

For Freight and Passage apply to
ARNOLD, KAMBERG & Co.,
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Hongkong, 11th March, 1913. [441]

THE "INDRA" LINE, LIMITED.

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THE Steamship

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Captain Pihler, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 26th April.

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for a limited number of Saloon Passengers
at moderate rates.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
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Hongkong, 7th April, 1913. [534]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK.

S.S. "GAZELLE" ... On 6th May

For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 8th April, 1913. [471]

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL
REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 10th

Previous On Date On Date
Day at 2 p.m. 6 a.m. 2 p.m.

Barometer 29.95 30.00 29.98

Temperature 62 59 65

Humidity 89 91 81

Wind Direction ... East North West

Force 2 1 1

Weather 0 0 0

Rain 0.31

Highest open air temperature on 9th ... 69

Lowest open air temperature on 9th ... 59

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 11th to 17th April, 1913.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Days of Week. Days of Month. H'k'g. Mean Time. Height. H'k'g. Mean Time. Height.

Fri. 11 m 0 33 4 4 5 0 3 4 6

Satur. 12 m 1 13 7 0 6 7 2 1 6

Sun. 13 m 2 12 3 9 8 4 8 1 7

Mon. 14 No infer. high 9 10 16 1 6

Tue. 15 No infer. high 2 24 6 7 11 25 1 4

Wed. 16 m 4 9 6 6 0 21 1 2

Thurs. 17 m 7 40 4 5 11 10 4 3

6 50 3 6 0 52 3 6

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HAVRE, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c. ... Ger. str. ... Heber

HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c. ... Ger. str. ... Schröder

ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c. ... Ger. str. ... Winkler

ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c. ... Ger. str. ... Heuser

BRUSSELS & HAMBURG, &c. ... Ger. str. ... Brunot

BRUSSELS, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c. ... Ger. str. ... Hirsch

BRUSSELS, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c. ... Ger. str. ... N. Noda

VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c. ... Jap. str. ... T. Saito

VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via JAPAN, &c. ... Jap. str. ... N. Kobayashi

VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, &c. ... Jap. str. ... L. Frank

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER & SEATTLE ... Jap. str. ... Pihler

TRIESTE, via SINGAPORE, PERANG, COLOMBO, &c. ... Aust. str. ... McKee

NEW YORK ... Brit. str. ... W. Davison

BOSTON & NEW YORK via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL ... Brit. str. ... H. S. Smith

PORTLAND, TACOMA & SEATTLE ... Brit. str. ... L. Klug

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... S. Tomlinson

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VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... W. D. Welsh

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VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... H. Yamamoto

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... F. L. Sommer

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... D. Lees

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... M. Winkler

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... V. T. ...

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... J. M. Hay

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... W. F. Richard

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... Schröder

VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... J. R. Harris

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VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. ... Brit. str. ... C. H. S. Toogee

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ARRIVALS

ANNE, Norwegian str., 1,017, A. Antzen,

10th April—Bangkok 3rd April, Rice.

—Chinese.

CHONGSHING, British str., 1,930, V. McL,

Liddell, 10th April—Vehaiwai 6th

April, General—Jardine, Matheson

& Co.

FUSAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,531, B.

Hayasaki, 9th April—Formosa 8th

April, Nil—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

HALVARD, Norwegian str., 1,000, O.

Anderson, 10th April—Hoikow 9th

April, Rice—Angard, Thorsen &

Co.

HOPSANG, British str., 1,350, J. M. Hay,

9th April—Chingwantao 2nd April,

Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KWEILAN, British str., 1,070, G. D. Miller,

10th April—Shanghai 7th April, General—

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LIANAN, British str., 1,350, C. C. Williams,

10th April—Shanghai 6th April,

Mails and General—Butterfield &

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PAGHON, British str., 1,237, G. Gibb, 10th

April—Saigon 5th April, Rice—

Butterfield & Swire.

SUNOBIAN, British str., 957, E. Finlayson,

9th April—Haiphong 2nd April,

General—Butterfield & Swire.

TAISHUN, Chinese str., 1,216, Paramore,

9th April—Shanghai 5th April, General—

Chinese.

WUHU, British str., Howard, 9th April—

Chinking 5th April, General—

Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

April 10th.

DREFAU, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.

FUSAN MARU, Japanese str., for Keelung.

HANGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.

KWICHOW, British str., for Saigon.

KWEILAN, British str., for Canton.

TAISHUN, Chinese str., for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

April 10th.

AUSTRIA, Austrian str., for Trieste.

CHINHA, British str., for Shanghai.

DEVANRA, British str., for Shanghai.

HUE, French str., for Haiphong.

KUNANG, British str., for Singapore.

LIANAN, British str., for Canton.

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TANGO MARU, Japanese str., for Yama.

WUHU, British str., for Canton.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	ASSAYE	Noon, 12th April.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES	NYANZA	About 16th April.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, PALAWAN AND YOKOHAMA	Capl. C. R. Longdon, R.N.R.	21st April.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	About 24th April.	Freight and Passage.
	Capl. C. H. S. Togo, R.N.R.		

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SHANGHAI, MANILA, CEBU AND ILOILO	"LINAN"	On 12th Apr., M'night.
HAIPHONG	"TAMING"	On 15th Apr., 4 P.M.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 16th Apr., 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"SUNGKANG"	On 17th Apr., 10 A.M.
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"HAIPHONG"	Capl. J. S. Booth	TUESDAY, 15th April, at 11 A.M.
"HAIPHONG"	Capl. J. W. Evans	FRIDAY, 18th April, at 11 A.M.

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"MEXICO MARU"	N. Kobayashi	WED'DAY, 30th April, at 2 P.M.
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"CANADA MARU"	K. Hori	WED'DAY, 28th May, at 2 P.M.
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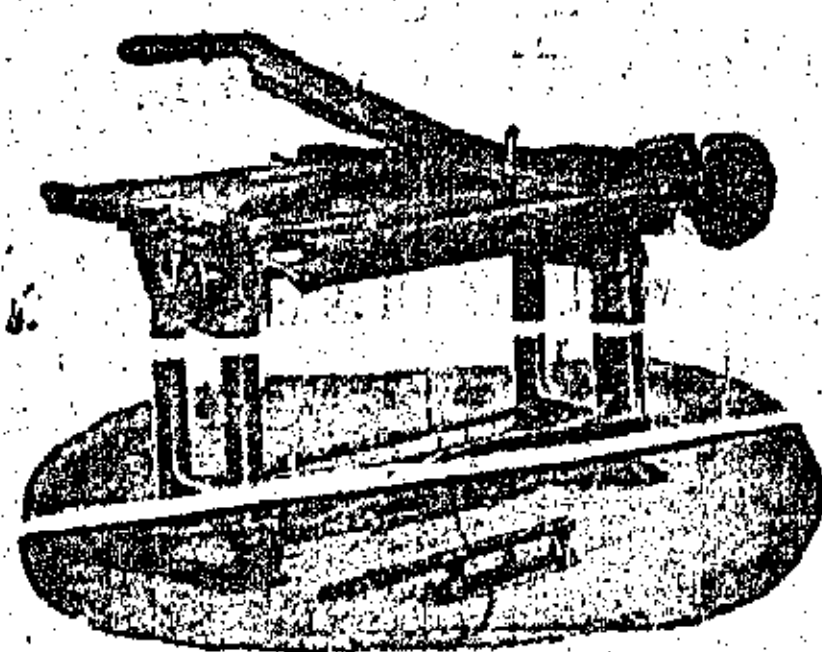
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POST OFFICE NOTICE

The *Asahi* is expected to arrive here to-day, with the London Mails (via Siberia) of Friday, the 21st, and Saturday, the 22nd March.

The *Empress of Japan*, with the Canadian and American Mail ex *Aorea*, is expected to arrive here to-day, at 4 p.m.

FOR	PRE	DATE
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hutchings	Friday, 11th, 10.00 A.M.
Kooling via Formosa	Fusan Maru	Friday, 11th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Friday, 11th, 1.15 P.M.
Hokow and Siam	Machew	Friday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Amoy	Seang Bee	Friday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Hokow	Kohshian	Friday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe	Arratoon Appear	Friday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Hokow and Pakoi	Johanne	Saturday, 12th, 9.00 A.M.
Halong, Pakoi and Saigon	Mathilde	Saturday, 12th, 10.00 A.M.
5 BARRIS, BURMAN, CAYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADELAIDE, GUYANA, and EUROPE via BRINDISI		Saturday, 12th, 1.00 P.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to NOON. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
(No Parcel mail will be closed to-day, at 5 p.m.)		
Philippine Islands	Loongsang	Saturday, 12th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Saturday, 12th, 1.15 P.M.
Straits and India via Calcutta	Gregory Appear	Saturday, 12th, 2.00 P.M.
Straits and Burma	Sui Tai	Saturday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Shanghai, and North China	Kwongseang	Saturday, 12th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Linan	Saturday, 12th, 5.00 P.M.
(EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)		
Swatow	Haimun	Sunday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy, and Formosa via Tamsui	Dachin Maru	Sunday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Monday, 14th, 1.15 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Tuesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Wenhaiwei and Tientsin	Cheongshing	Tuesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, JAPAN via NAGASAKI, HONGKONG, CANADA, UNITED STATES, and SOUTH AMERICA via SAN FRANCISCO		Tuesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
(EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)		
Macao	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 15th, 1.15 P.M.
Japan via Yokohama	Jelunga	Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	Tamsing	Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Halong, Pakoi and Saigon	Singon	Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
STRAITS, BURMAN, CAYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADELAIDE, EGYPT, and EUROPE via NAPLES		Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Newchwang and Chingwantao	Hopsang	Wednesday, 16th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Wednesday, 16th, 1.15 P.M.
Halong and Pakoi	Sui Tai	Thursday, 17th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Thursday, 17th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Anhui	Thursday, 17th, 3.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	Bah	Thursday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
Manzanillo and Guaymas (Mexico)	Kathe	Thursday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Tungang	Friday, 18th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haimun	Friday, 18th, 1.15 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Friday, 18th, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Kwiohau	Friday, 18th, 3.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands, YAP, MAROUAN, FREDERICH, WILHELMSTADT, BOBANI, HERBERTSTADT, MACAO, AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA and NEW ZEALAND via Brisbane		Saturday, 19th, 8.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Yuanasang	Saturday, 19th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Saturday, 19th, 1.15 P.M.
Japan via Yokohama	Pooshing	Monday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
SAIGON, STRAITS, CAYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADELAIDE, EGYPT, and EUROPE via MARSEILLE		Tuesday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
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COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

April 10th.

On LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	2 1/2
On PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	249
Credits, at 4 months' sight	254
On GERMANY.—	
On demand	201 1/2
On NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	48
Credits, at 60 days' sight	49
On HONGKONG.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	147
Bank, on demand	147 1/2
On CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	147
Bank, on demand	147 1/2
On SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, at sight	73 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	74 1/2
On YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	30 1/2
On MANILA.—	
On demand	84 1/2
On SINGAPORE.—	
On demand	118 1/2
On BATAVIA.—	
On demand	1 1/2 p.m.
On HAIKONG.—	
On demand	183
On HANKOW.—	
On demand	101 1/2
On SHANGHAI.—	
On demand	101 1/2
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per seal	52.70
SILVER, per oz.	21 1/2
SUBSIDIARY COINS.	
Chinese, 20 cents piece	7.05 discount
Chinese, 10 " "	7.17
Hongkong, 20 " "	16.00
Hongkong, 10 " "	7.05

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

London	Shanghai
March 19th.	April 5th.
March 20th.	April 7th.

TO-NIGHT

9.15 P.M.—Bijou Theatre.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Monday, 14th April.—
5 P.M.—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Properties at Auction Rooms, by Mr. Geo. P. Lamont.

Wednesday, 16th April.—
Noon—Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders.
12.15 P.M.—China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders.
5.30 P.M.—Royal Hongkong Golf Club Extraordinary General Meeting at the Club House at Happy Valley.

Saturday, 19th April.—
12.30 P.M.—Hongkong Jockey Club Half-Yearly Meeting.

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1913.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.	RETURN ON BASIS OF LAST DIVID.
BANKS.—					
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	112 1/2	all	1805, sales	5 p.c.
China Bank Corporation, Limited	60,000	112 1/2	all	19, x. div., buy.	10 p.c.
China Light and Power Company, Ltd.	50,000	112 1/2	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
COTTON MILLS.—					
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	120,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
DOORS AND WHARVES.—					
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
H'kong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Shai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	36,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	12,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	8,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	15,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	60,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	15,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.	325,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	10,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
INSURANCE.—					
Custom Insurance Office Co., Limited	20,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	24,400	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	12,400	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.—					
H'kong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	25,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd.	25,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	8,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	78,400	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai Land and Building Co., Ltd.	12,500	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
West Kent Building Co., Limited	25,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Manohappi Ltd. (Majap.)	25,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat	25,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Mining.—					
Chinese Engineering and M. Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Heowood Tin and Rubber Estate, Ltd.	822,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Tromps Mines, Limited	160,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	20,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Philippine Co., Limited	13,200	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Pulpes et Papeteries du Tonkin Societe des	13,200	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
RAFFINERIES.—					
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Lyons Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.—					
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
H'kong, Canton & Amoy S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	2,500,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	33,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
South China Steamship Co., Limited	6,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
STEAMERS AND DISPENSARIES.—					
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Gande, Price & Co., Ltd.	50,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Powell, Wm., Limited	15,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Watkins, Limited	10,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Watson & Co., A. S. Limited	90,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	9,900	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100,000	110	all	181, sal. & buy.	7 1/2 p.c.

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The sweet they ate
Was surely PETER'S—MILK CHOCOLATE.
Keep on rhyming, make no metres,
Lots of words will rhyme with PETER'S.
Not so words to rhyme with "NESTLE".
To find a match you have to wrestle.

NESTLE'S MILK CHOCOLATE.

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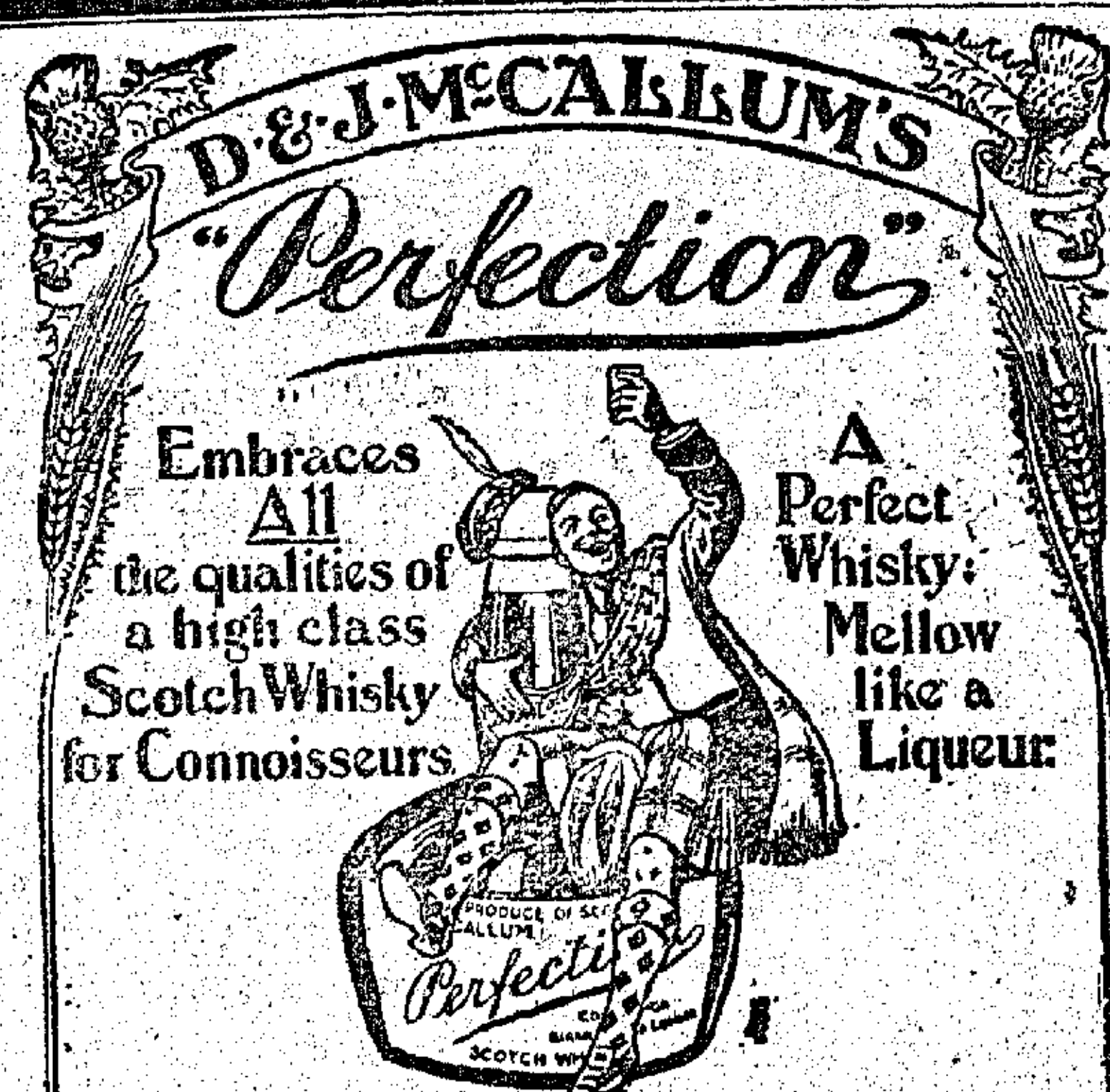
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